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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
of the Town of  
**MIDDLETON**  
New Hampshire

**1947**

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31,  
1947

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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**of the**

## **OFFICERS**

**of the**

### **TOWN OF MIDDLETON**

**New Hampshire**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31,**

**1947**

**VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1947**



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# **TOWN OFFICERS**

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## **Moderator**

RUTH G. KELLY

## **Selectmen**

MARY E. McCULLOUGH                      JOHN D. TUFTS  
CLAYTON W. SHEPARD   DONALD E. FRANCOEUR

## **Town Clerk**

LUCINDA D. JENNESS

## **Treasurer**

EMMA M. LOCKE

## **Auditors**

GLADYS WHITEHOUSE      PRISCILLA KIMBALL

## **Supervisors**

NOBART BRANNAN                      MYRON TUFTS  
GEORGE KIMBALL

## **Tax Collector**

IRENE SHEPARD

## **Police**

ALPHONZO L. KIMBALL

## **Board of Education**

DOROTHY COOK                      ADDIE M. TUFTS  
MARION STEVENS

## **School Clerk**

LUCINDA JENNESS

## **School Treasurer**

EMMA M. LOCKE

## **Auditors**

GLADYS WHITEHOUSE      PRISCILLA KIMBALL

**MIDDLETON TOWN WARRANT****THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Middleton, N. H.,  
in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified  
to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in  
said Middleton on Tuesday, the ninth day of March,  
next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon  
the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the  
year ensuing, and Road Agent.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be nec-  
essary to defray town charges for the ensuing year  
and make appropriations of the same.

Town officers' salaries .....	\$455 00
Town officers' expense .....	345 00
Election and registration .....	30 00
Insurance on town property .....	100 00
Fire department .....	100 00
Support of poor .....	50 00
Old age assistance .....	350 00

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\$1,430 00

3. To see if the town will vote to raise and ap-  
propriate \$220.00 for street lighting.

4. To see if the town will vote to raise and ap-  
propriate \$1,000.00 for work on town roads.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise and ap-  
propriate \$309.00 to be expended on State Road Aid,  
the State contributing a sum of \$1,800.00.

6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the necessary sum of money for county tax. 1947 tax was \$569.68.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400.00 for truck and tractor expense.

8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town bills in anticipation of taxes.

9. To see if the town will appoint a committee to investigate the condition of Town Schools and make recommendations for improvement of same.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this —— day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

DONALD E. FRANCOEUR,  
JOHN D. TUFTS,  
CLAYTON W. SHEPARD,

Selectmen of Middleton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

DONALD E. FRANCOEUR,  
JOHN D. TUFTS,  
CLAYTON W. SHEPARD,

Selectmen of Middleton.



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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Lands and buildings .....	\$104,400 00
Growing wood and timber .....	40,810 00
Horses .....	600 00
Cows .....	2,425 00
Neat stock .....	475 00
Goats .....	60 00
Electric line .....	8,000 00
Wood and lumber .....	29,051 00
Stock in trade .....	14,100 00
Aqueducts .....	5,000 00
Mills and machinery .....	1,100 00
Gasoline pumps and tanks .....	115 00
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Total .....	\$206,136 00
Property tax .....	\$7,111 69
Poll tax .....	214 00
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Taxes committed to collector ....	\$7,325 69

## APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED LESS ESTIMATED REVENUE AND CREDITS APPROPRIATIONS

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Town officers' salaries .....	\$454 00
Town officers' expenses .....	50 00
Election and registration .....	27 00
Incidental expense .....	150 00
Town hall and other buildings .....	400 00
Fire department .....	25 00
State aid construction .....	201 00
Town maintenance .....	1,000 00

Workman's Compensation insurance .....	35 00
Lakes Region .....	13 00
Tractor shed insurance .....	16 00
Street lighting .....	220 00
Tractor and truck expense .....	300 00
New equipment .....	1,655 00
Old age assistance .....	350 00
Town poor .....	50 00
County tax .....	569 68
School expense .....	2,029 00

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Total town and school appropriation . \$7,544 68

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### ESTIMATED REVENUE AND CREDITS

Interest and dividend tax .....	\$5 74
Savings bank tax .....	35 00
Motor vehicle permit fees .....	250 00
Business licenses and permits .....	2 00
Rent of Town Hall .....	10 00
Total .....	\$302 74

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Total appropriations .....	\$7,544 68
Less revenue and credits .....	302 74

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Plus overlay .....	83 75
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	\$7,325 69
Less poll taxes .....	214 00

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Amount to be raised by property taxes on  
which tax rate is to be figured ..... \$7,111 69

Tax rate, \$3.45.



## FINANCIAL REPORT

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ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer .....	\$2,996 10
Estimated refund on fire patrol expense .	190 00
Uncollected taxes, levy 1947 .....	1,379 65
Unredeemed taxes, levy 1946 .....	352 62
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	\$4,918 37

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LIABILITIES

Due to School District:

Dog licenses .....	\$72 39
Balance of appropriation .....	929 00
Farmington National Bank:	
Note on truck .....	2,500 00
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	\$3,501 39
Excess of assets over liabilities .....	\$1,416 98

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RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes .....	\$5,197 90
Poll taxes .....	144 00
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Total of 1947 taxes collected .....	\$5,341 90
Property taxes previous years .....	1,159 57
Poll taxes previous years .....	54 00
Tax sales redeemed .....	340 20

From State:

Class V highways .....	671 80
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Interest and dividend tax .....	5 77
Savings bank tax .....	20
Bounties, 1946 .....	18 00
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog licenses .....	72 39
Rent Town Hall .....	10 00
Town forest .....	12 00
Registration motor vehicles .....	460 26
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:	
Farmington National Bank, temporary loan .....	2,500 00
Total receipts from all sources .....	\$10,646 09
Cash on hand January 1, 1947 .....	2,721 58
Grand total .....	\$13,367 67

### PAYMENTS

Town officers' salaries .....	\$455 50
Town officers' expense .....	239 07
Incidental expense .....	23 50
Town Hall and buildings .....	393 79
Fire .....	47 50
Fire patrol .....	380 75
Bounties .....	25 50
Tractor and truck expense .....	378 86
Tax refund .....	40 00
Town road maintenance .....	1,126 35
Class V highways .....	670 07
Street lights .....	219 96
Old age assistance .....	182 56
Taxes bought by town .....	257 34



## TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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Insurance .....	88 78
State aid construction .....	201 00
New equipment .....	3,255 00
County tax .....	569 68
School district .....	1,754 50
Income tax .....	48 86
Lakes Region .....	13 00

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Total payments .....	\$10,371 57
Cash on hand December 31, 1947 .....	2,996 10

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Grand total .....	\$13,367 67
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LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Hall buildings, furniture and equipment .....	\$6,100 00
Fire department equipment .....	300 00
Highway department buildings and equipment .....	2,500 00
Schools, land, buildings and equipment ..	2,500 00
Tuttle property .....	25 00

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Total .....	\$11,425
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DONALD E. FRANCOEUR,  
JOHN D. TUFTS,  
CLAYTON W. SHEPARD,

Selectmen.

EMMA M. LOCKE,

Treasurer.

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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Dog licenses, 1946 .....	\$35 40
Auto license, 1946 .....	6 36
Rent of Town Hall .....	10 00
Dog licenses, 1947, less fees .....	36 99
Auto licenses, 1947 .....	453 90
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	\$542 65

LUCINDA D. JENNESS,  
Town Clerk.



**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

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**LEVY OF 1947**

Total taxes committed to collector .....	\$7,325 69
Added taxes committed to collector .....	356 86

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Total .....	\$7,682 55
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Total remittance to treasurer .....	\$5,321 39
Abatements allowed .....	981 51
Uncollected taxes .....	1,379 65

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Total .....	\$7,682 55
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**LEVY OF 1946**

Total remittance to treasurer .....	\$1,213 57
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**REDEMPTIONS**

Levy of 1943 .....	\$38 41
Levy of 1944 .....	28 07
Levy of 1945 .....	25 67
Levy of 1946 .....	248 05

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	\$340 20
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IRENE SHEPARD,  
Tax Collector.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash on hand January 1, 1947 .....	\$2,721	58
Tax levy, 1946 .....	1,213	57
Tax levy, 1947 .....	5,341	90
Redemptions, 1943, \$38.41; 1944, \$28.07; 1945, \$25.67; 1946, \$248.05 .....	340	20
Class V highway department .....	671	80
Savings bank tax .....		20
Dividend tax .....	5	77
Registration motor vehicles, 1946 .....	6	36
Registration motor vehicles, 1947 .....	453	90
Dog licenses, 1946 .....	35	40
Dog licenses, 1947 .....	36	99
Wood sold .....	12	00
Bounties, 1946 .....	18	00
Note, Farmington Bank .....	2,500	00
Rent of Town Hall .....	10	00
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	\$13,367	67
Less orders drawn .....	10,371	57
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Balance January 1, 1948 .....	\$2,996	10

EMMA M. LOCKE,  
Treasurer.



## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

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Marion Stevens .....	\$2 00
Priscilla Kimball .....	2 00
Myron Tufts .....	9 00
Norbert Brannan .....	9 00
George Kimball .....	9 00
George Burns .....	2 00
Mary E. McCullough .....	62 50
Irene Shepard .....	100 00
Clayton Shepard .....	40 00
Lucinda Jenness .....	40 00
John Tufts .....	60 00
Emma Locke .....	50 00
Donald Francoeur .....	62 50
Alphonzo Kimball .....	7 50
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	\$455 50

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## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSE

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Association N. H. Assessors .....	\$2 00
William Wentworth, bonds .....	20 00
Record Press .....	80 00
Mary McCullough .....	2 13
N. H. Town Clerk's Association .....	2 00
Farmington National Bank .....	3 50
Clayton Shepard .....	1 25
Anna Morin .....	7 40
Sargent Brothers .....	3 10
Emma Locke .....	3 01
Lucinda Jenness, for fees withheld .....	73 00

Edson Eastman .....	15 71
Wheeler & Clarke .....	2 03
Irene Shepard .....	18 60
Donald Francoeur .....	5 24
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	\$239 07

### INCIDENTAL EXPENSE

Lucinda Jenness .....	\$23 50
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### TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Public Service .....	\$15 04
Clayton Shepard .....	23 08
Woodrow Tufts .....	97 70
Clyde Tufts .....	55 00
Alphonzo Kimball .....	20 10
Charles DiPrizio .....	169 12
Farmington Gas & Appliance .....	10 00
William Brown .....	3 75
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	\$393 79

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Union Village Fire Precinct .....	\$47 50
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### FIRE PATROL

Sidney Stevens .....	\$26 40
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## TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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John Eastman .....	49 30
Herbert Tufts .....	6 50
Moses Tufts .....	7 85
William Leighton .....	49 20
Eric Bullis, Jr. ....	43 20
Russell Bullis .....	6 00
Clifford Butler .....	43 00
Alphonzo Kimball .....	12 50
Leo LeClair .....	24 35
Wilfred Wilkinson .....	17 50
George Burns .....	3 60
William Brown .....	14 60
Norbert Brannan .....	23 40
Norman Brooks .....	34 40
Steve Tufts .....	6 50
Lloyd Eastman .....	4 00
John Tufts .....	8 45

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\$380 75

## BOUNTIES

William Stevens .....	\$5 00
Elmer Kimball .....	3 50
Sidney Stevens .....	2 00
Eveleen Stevens .....	4 50
Arthur Stevens .....	3 00
Earl Stevens .....	4 50
Ernest Kimball .....	50
Fred Downs .....	2 00
Myron Tufts .....	50

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\$25 50

## TRUCK AND TRACTOR EXPENSE

Dube Test Supply Co. ....	\$23 63
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Bailey & Blendinger .....	1 50
A. H. Rice & Co. ....	45
Robbins Auto Supply .....	29 68
D. Francoeur .....	5 00
John Tufts .....	5 00
Damon Pike .....	3 25
John Blaisdell .....	140 50
Clayton Shepard .....	39 65
Brackett & Shaw .....	45 65
Alphonzo Kimball .....	3 00
William Leighton .....	15 75
Union Garage .....	55 55
Ricker's Garage .....	5 25

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\$378 86

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### TAX REFUND

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Ethel Moore .....	\$40 00
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### TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

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	Summer	Winter	Class V
John Tufts .....	\$18 30	\$2 40	\$153 52
Myron Tufts .....	17 10	9 60	
Alphonzo Kimball ..	48 83	44 55	64 95
George Kimball ....	9 00	83 41	19 13
Woodbury Kimball ..	24 90	9 30	20 28
Herbert Kimball ..	21 80	61 70	10 20
Joseph Casavant ...	1 20		
Charles DiPrizio ..	25 96	35 97	38 35
Clayton Shepard ..	73 30	171 35	24 30
Norbert Brannan ..	12 60		
Union Garage .....	23 88	146 48	54 27



## TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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Homer Lowe .....	57 38		
D. Wilson .....	12 50		
Howard Atherton ..	25 00		
William Brown ....	14 00		
Fred Dudley .....	6 75		
Mason Joy .....	2 60		
Willard Young ....	85 70	12 75	
George Tufts .....	1 20		
Woodrow Tufts ...	10 75	9 25	
Sidney Stevens ....	2 73	31 88	
William Leighton .	44 77	23 76	
Moses Tufts .....	9 16	15 45	
J. Wentworth .....	8 65		
Herbert Tufts .....	8 65	21 40	
Ransom Tufts .....	4 88		
William Stevens ...		9 80	
Earl Stevens .....		18 50	
Clyde Tufts .....		69 45	
Clarence Cook .....		8 20	
John Stevens .....		5 85	
Leon Tufts .....		6 45	
Errol Hall .....		3 00	
John Burrows .....		16 80	
Totals .....	\$276 87	\$949 48	\$670 07

## STREET LIGHTING

Public Service Co. ....	\$219 96
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## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State of New Hampshire .....	\$182 56
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**TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN**

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Irene Shepard, tax collector .....	\$257 34
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**INSURANCE**

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William Wentworth .....	\$88 78
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**STATE AID CONSTRUCTION**

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State Highway Department .....	\$201 00
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**NEW EQUIPMENT**

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R. C. Hazelton .....	\$755 00
Mary McCullough .....	2,500 00
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	\$3,255 00

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**COUNTY TAX**

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Thomas K. Davenhall .....	\$569 68
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**SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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1946 appropriation, balance .....	\$654 50
1947 appropriation .....	1,100 00
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	\$1,754 50

TOWN OF MIDDLETON	19
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**INCOME TAX**

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Collector of Internal Revenue .....	\$48 86
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**LAKES REGION**

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Harold Hart .....	\$13 00
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### FOREST FIRE PROBLEM SERIOUS

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The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United States history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning on October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fires might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and all those who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

It is now time to take stock everywhere of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip the available man power in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire tools to the town supply will generally need to be built up. The state sells tools to the towns and shares one-half their cost. Good equipment is important and can help greatly to keep both damage and fire costs at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 percent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the travelling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near woodland.

STEPHEN H. BOOMER,  
District Chief.

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### 1947 Fire Record

Number of fires .....	0
Acreage burned .....	0
Number of fire permits issued .....	26

**SCHOOL REPORT**1946-1947

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We hereby submit our report of the finances of the School District up to June 30, 1947.

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**OFFICERS**

Addie M. Tufts ..... Term expires in 1948  
Dorothy Cook ..... Term expires in 1949  
Marion Stevens ..... Term expires in 1950

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**Organization**

EVERETT H. BRASIER—Superintendent of Schools  
DOROTHY COOK—Chairman  
EMMA LOCKE—Treasurer  
DOROTHY WILLEY—Nurse

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**SCHOOL WARRANT****THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Middleton,  
qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 9th day of March, 1948, to follow at the close of the Town Meeting, to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the following year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.



4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

Given under our hands at said Middleton this 6th day of February, 1948.

ADDIE M. TUFTS,  
DOROTHY COOK,  
MARION STEVENS,

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ADDIE M. TUFTS,  
DOROTHY COOK,  
MARION STEVENS,

School Board.

**FINANCIAL REPORT  
OF THE MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1946, and  
Ending June 30, 1947

**RECEIPTS**

State and Federal Aid:

Equalization fund for elementary schools .....	\$1,909 71
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Income from Local Taxation:

For support of elementary schools ..	2,100 00
Balance of previous appropriations .	284 50

From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog licenses .....	70 00
Refund .....	11 00

Total receipts .....	\$4,375 21
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Cash on hand at beginning of year July 1, 1946 .....	00 00
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Grand total .....	\$4,375 21
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**PAYMENTS**

Salaries of district officers .....	\$91 50
Superintendent's excess salary .....	88 60
Tax for state-wide supervision .....	78 00
Expenses of administration .....	11 00
Principal's and teacher's salaries .....	1,307 15
Textbooks .....	14 43

# TOWN OF MIDDLETON

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Scholars' supplies .....	85 07
Other expenses of instruction .....	7 45
Janitor service .....	92 00
Fuel and heat .....	51 50
Water, light, janitor's supplies .....	28 37
Minor repairs and expenses .....	13 36
Medical inspection, health supervision ....	75 50
Transportation .....	760 00
Tuition, elementary and high school ....	847 50
Other activities .....	1 79
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Payments of bills from previous years ....	\$714 65

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Middleton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GLADYS S. WHITEHOUSE,  
PRISCILLA T. KIMBALL,

Auditors.

July 7, 1947.

## LIABILITIES, JUNE 30, 1947

Accounts Owed by District (Unpaid Bills):	
Farmington School District .....	\$88 54
Wakefield School District .....	306 00
Auditor's salary .....	3 00
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Total .....	\$397 54



### ASSETS

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Cash on hand .....	\$107 34
Dog tax .....	45 40
Total .....	<hr/> \$152 74

### SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

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Addie Tufts, school board .....	\$15 00
Marion Stevens, school board .....	50 00
Marion Stevens, census .....	5 00
Emma Locke, treasurer .....	12 50
Lucinda Jenness, clerk .....	2 00
George Burns, moderator .....	2 00
Merritt Bullis, truant officer .....	5 00

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Total .....	\$91 50
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Teachers' salaries .....	\$1,307 15
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Roberta Giddings .....	\$1,126 46
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Dorothy Cook .....	36 10
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Tax withheld .....	144 59
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Total .....	\$1,307 15
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### TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES

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Textbooks .....	\$14 43
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Scholars' supplies .....	85 07
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Total .....	\$99 50
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**TRANSPORTATION**

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Merritt Bullis .....	\$760 00
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**MEDICAL INSPECTION**

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Dorothy Bennett, salary .....	\$75 00
Medical supplies .....	50
Total .....	\$75 50

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**TUITION**

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City of Rochester .....	\$702 50
Farmington High School .....	145 00
Total .....	\$847 50

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**FIXED CHARGES**

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Per capita tax .....	\$78 00
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**EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION**

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Superintendent's excess salary .....	\$88 60
Clerical assistants .....	6 66
Supplies and expenses .....	4 34
Other activities .....	1 79
Total .....	\$101 39

**OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION**

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American Education Press .....	\$5 00
World Book Co. ....	2 45
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Total .....	\$7 45

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**JANITOR SERVICE AND SUPPLIES**

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Marion Stevens, janitor .....	\$92 00
Light and janitor's supplies .....	28 37
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Total .....	\$120 37

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**FUEL**

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Charles DiPrizio, 4 cords of slabs .....	\$44 00
Clayton Shepard, sawing 2 cords of wood .	5 50
Marion Stevens, piling wood .....	2 00
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Total .....	\$51 50

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**MINOR REPAIRS AND EXPENSES**

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Repairs .....	\$13 36
Payment of Bills from previous year ....	\$714 65

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF MONEY**

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Due from Selectmen:



**Appropriation of 1947:**

Total appropriation .....	\$2,029 00
Total amount received to January 31, 1948	1,100 00
Total amount due .....	\$929 00

**SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1948-1949**

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1948.

**Detailed Statement of Expenditures****Support of Schools:**

Teachers' salaries .....	\$2,000 00
Textbooks .....	50 00
Scholars' supplies .....	60 00
Flags and appurtenances .....	5 00
Other expenses of instruction .....	20 00
Janitor service .....	95 00
Fuel .....	61 00
Water, light and janitor's supplies .	25 00
Minor repairs and expenses .....	25 00
Health supervision (medical) .....	75 00
Transportation of pupils .....	700 00
Payment of elementary tuitions .....	680 00
Other special activities .....	50 00
Total .....	\$4,046 00

**Other Statutory Requirements:**

Salaries of district officers .....	\$112 00
Truant officer and census .....	10 00
Payment of tuition in high school, estimated by board .....	1,755 00

Superintendent's excess salary, fixed by Supervisory Union .....	120 00
Per capita tax (report of State Treas- urer) .....	90 00
Other obligations imposed by law or established by district .....	35 00
Total .....	\$2,122 00
Total amount to meet School Board's budget .....	\$6,168 00
<b>Estimate of Income of District</b>	
Balance June 30, 1948, Estimate .....	
State aid (December, 1948, allotment) ....	\$3,085 00
Dog tax estimate .....	50 00
Total estimate not raised by taxation .	\$3,135 00
Assessment required to balance School Board's budget .....	\$3,033 00
<div style="text-align: right;"> <b>ADDIE M. TUFTS,</b>  <b>DOROTHY COOK,</b>  <b>MARION STEVENS,</b> </div>	
Middleton, N. H.	School Board.
January 13, 1948.	

### ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1947

Cash on hand June 30, 1946:

Received from selectmen .....	\$1,800 00
Balance of previous appropriation ....	654 50
Received from State Treasurer .....	1,907 71
Received from other sources, refund .	11 00
Total .....	\$4,375 21
Total amount available .....	\$4,375 21

Less school board orders paid ..... 4,267 87

Balance on hand as of June 30, 1947 .... \$107 34

EMMA M. LOCKE,

District Treasurer.

### AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Middleton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947, and find them correct in all respects.

GLADYS WHITEHOUSE,

PRISCILLA KIMBALL,

Auditors.

July 7, 1947.

### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

February 1, 1947 — February 1, 1948

Children examined, 30

	Defects	Treatment
Vision .....	4	2
Teeth .....	15	12
Tonsils .....	1	
Adenoids .....	1	
Hearing .....	2	
Skin diseases .....	7	
Communicable diseases ..	6	
T. B. Patch test .....	17	Negative
School visits, 22		

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. WILLEY,

School Nurse.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board and Citizens of Middleton:

The school year ending June 30, 1947, was historic in New Hampshire education. During this year twelve Lay-Professional Councils of thirty-six members each on a state-wide basis, were formed for the purpose of studying New Hampshire schools and advising on their program. These 432 members and hundreds of guests studied the purposes and curriculum of elementary, secondary, adult, higher, and vocational education in the state; policies on cooperation among school districts; financial policies; and the responsibility of local, state and federal agencies for the welfare of the educational system of our state. The conclusions of the twelve committees were coordinated in a single report and published by the State Board of Education. This report is an outstanding contribution to the field of education and should be read by every citizen.

One of the most important outcomes of this work was the stimulus to greater cooperation between citizens, parents and members of the profession. Our schools would benefit greatly by similar projects on a local scale. This is being done in two districts through recently formed Parent-Teacher Associations.

Of primary importance was an act by the 1947 Legislature whereby state aid was increased to \$2,000,000.00. Most of our towns benefitted materially by this, with a consequent relief of real estate taxation.

But the problems of our schools never cease. A marked increase in school population in most towns, increases in cost in all departments, and the scarcity of qualified teachers raise important questions that de-



mand the serious consideration of every citizen. In your schools today are your future selectmen, representatives, school board members, doctors, lawyers, teachers, and merchants. They must be trained adequately to discharge the responsibilities on the local, state and national level that you now bear.

The Ridge School was under the able direction of Miss Roberta Giddings and in spite of some interruptions a successful year was completed. Two pupils were graduated and went on to the Union School. Eight pupils from Middleton were registered at Spaulding High School and two at Farmington High School. Three were graduated from the eighth grade at the Union School.

This year, 1947-1948, there are thirty pupils in the Ridge School which fills the building to capacity. There are nine pupils attending grades seven and eight at Union. Any further increase in the registration in the first six grades will necessitate some change in housing arrangement. Either another school will have to be opened or more pupils transported to some neighboring school. The opening of a second school would nearly double the cost. The normal capacity of the Ridge School building is about twenty pupils. The present enrollment makes it very crowded and places a very heavy burden on the teacher.

The cordial cooperation of the members of the School Board, parents, Miss Giddings, and pupils makes my work in Middleton a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT H. BRASIER,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 22, 1948.

## Statistics

Number of weeks of school year .....	38
Average number of half-days in session	344
Total number of different pupils registered: Boys 11; Girls 12 .....	23
Average membership in elementary school .....	23.09
Per cent of attendance in all schools ....	96.77
Number of cases of tardiness .....	0
Number of pupils transported at district expense .....	19
Number of visits to school by School Board members .....	3
Number of visits to school by citizens	5
Number of visits to school by superintendent .....	26
Number of school board meetings held	6

Perfect attendance for the school year 1946-47:

Elementary School:

Jane Stevens  
 Geraldine G. Tufts  
 Barry Burns

## INVENTORY OF REAL ESTATE

APRIL 1, 1947

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Name	Acres	Description	Value
Brannan, Catherine . . . .	1	Cottage . . . . .	\$200
Brannan, Norbert . . . . .	11	H'mestead and Knowles lot . . . . .	250
Burns, Emma . . . . .	1	Cottage . . . . .	200
Bullis, Eric A., Sr. . . . .	30	Homestead . . . . .	700
Bullis, Eric A., Jr. . . . .	1	Cottage and camp . . . .	550
Bullis, Merritt . . . . .	25	Homestead . . . . .	1,000
Burrows, John A. . . . .	126	Homestead and wood lot . . . . .	800
Butler, Clifford R. . . . .	7	Homestead . . . . .	550
Colbath, Emma . . . . .	9	Homestead . . . . .	625
Cook, Charles . . . . .	160	Stevens and Havens lot	625
Cook, Charles . . . . .	8	Homestead . . . . .	1,250
Cook, Clarence . . . . .	6	Homestead . . . . .	500
Corson, Vina . . . . .	1	Homestead . . . . .	200
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	104	Homestead . . . . .	4,000
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	60	Wentworth lot . . . . .	300
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	125	Lone Star . . . . .	150
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	85	Albert Stevens wood lot	400
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	8	Geo. Emery lot . . . . .	50
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	68	Stevens lot . . . . .	200
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	328	E. F. Kimball Place . . .	1,500
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	100	Butler lot . . . . .	200
DiPrizio, Charles, Sr. . . .	60	Drew lot . . . . .	300
DiPrizio Sons . . . . .	245	Chesley lot . . . . .	400
DiPrizio, Chas., Jr. . . . .	30	Chas. Tufts Place . . . .	300
Drawbridge, Ed F. . . . .	60	Homestead and wood lot . . . . .	2,100
Deveneau, Frederick . . . .	164	Knowles Place . . . . .	3,000
Eastman, Charles F. . . . .	20	Homestead . . . . .	680
Eastman, Charles F. . . . .	45	Merrill field . . . . .	125
Eastman, Charles F. . . . .	2	House lot . . . . .	60
Eastman, Charles F. . . . .	1	Pt. Shapleigh field . . . .	125
Eastman, Evelyn M. . . . .	1	Wilkinson Place . . . . .	500
Eastman, Evelyn M. . . . .	½	Wallace lot . . . . .	100
Eastman, Mary A. . . . .	1	Corner lot . . . . .	150
Eastman Family . . . . .	90	Jesse Mt. lot . . . . .	500
Foster, Agustus and Daisy . . . . .	30	Homestead and wood lot . . . . .	1,250
Frawley, George . . . . .	1	Homestead . . . . .	1,250
Francoeur, Dona'd E. . . .	50	Homestead . . . . .	1,500
Gould, Burton . . . . .	1	Homestead . . . . .	1,000
Grace, Joseph . . . . .	15	Homestead . . . . .	350

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Grace, Joseph .....	41	Colbath wood lot ....	100
Hill, Vila .....	1	Homestead .....	625
Howe, Raymond .....	5	Homestead .....	800
Jenness, Lucinda .....	88	Homestead .....	2,000
Julian, Arnold S. ....	25	Walter Kimball Place .	1,000
Kelley, Asa B. Est. ....	80	Homestead .....	3,625
Kelley, Asa B. Est. ....	50	Wood lot .....	200
Kelley, Asa B. Est. ....		Camp .....	300
Kimball, Alphonzo .....	1	Homestead .....	500
Kimball, Elmer B. ....	1½	Homestead .....	1,500
Kimball, Elmer B. ....	20	Part Matthew lot ....	400
Kimball, George .....	81	Edgar Stevens Place .	1,000
Kinney, Allen .....	30	Homestead .....	1,100
Kinney, Walter .....	100	John Nutter Place ....	800
LeClair, Pauline .....	1½	Homestead .....	500
Leighton, Charles L. ....	5	Ed Emery Place ....	125
Leighton, Charles L. ....	20	Homestead .....	1,500
Leighton, Charles L. ....	2	Peny field .....	125
Leighton, Charles L. ....		Camp .....	175
Leighton, Walter F. ....	100	Homestead .....	900
Leighton, Walter F. ....	153	Horace Drew Place ...	650
Leighton, William .....		Homestead .....	300
McCullough, Mary E. ...	30	Homestead .....	1,500
McCullough Mary E. ...	24	Eliza Lane Est. ....	2,000
McCullough, Mary E. ...	3	Part Gessler lot .....	50
Moore, Thomas .....	½	Camp .....	150
Moore, Ethel .....	162	Homestead .....	2,825
Perkins, Adam .....	50	Homestead .....	900
Perkins, Evelyn .....	10	Homestead .....	650
Perkins, Margaret .....	27	Homestead .....	650
Pinkham, Herbert .....	25		400
Shepard, Clayton .....	1	Homestead .....	750
Shepard, Clayton .....	40	Moulton lot .....	250
Smith, Orpheus .....	15	Emery Place .....	400
Stevens, Arthur .....	½	Homestead .....	250
Stevens, Arthur .....	20	Cook wood lot .....	350
Stevens, John .....	50	Homestead .....	1,000
Stevens, Earl W. ....	25¼	Pasture lot .....	150
Stevens, Hattie .....	1	Homestead .....	1,375
Stevens, Melvin .....	½	Homestead .....	650
Stevens, Sidney .....	142	Homestead .....	1,600
Tibbetts, Fred .....	11	Homestead .....	600
Tufts, Clyde L. ....	1	Homestead .....	1,250
Tufts, Clyde L. ....	50	Part Shanleigh lot ...	400
Tufts, Eva .....	50	Part Pearl lot .....	400
Tufts, George .....	1	Homestead .....	700
Tufts, George and Myron .....		Eaton and Farnham lot	250



Name	Acres	Description	Value
Tufts, Herbert	10	French field	100
Tufts, Herbert	50	Whitehouse Place	650
Tufts, John	24	Homestead	1,125
Tufts, John	15	Mountain lot	125
Tufts, Jas. Heirs Est.	132	Mountain lot	375
Tufts, Leon G.	93	Homestead	1,875
Tufts, Leon G.	40	Mountain lot	300
Tufts, Leon G.	12	G. T. Tufts pasture	60
Tufts, Leon G.	35	Muncel field	125
Tufts, Leon G.	75	Taft lot	450
Tufts, Leon G.	30	Twombly wood lot	250
Tufts, Leon G.	45	Walter Kimball wood lot	300
Tufts, Moses	50	Homestead	1,000
Tufts, Moses	100	Mountain lot	600
Tufts, Myron	2	Homestead	350
Tufts, Ransom	1	Homestead	400
Tufts, Woodrow	4	House and camp	300
Weiss, Robert	100	Lucy Leighton Place	650
Wilkinson, Wilfred	1	Homestead	400
Whitehouse, Richard	120	Homestead	900
Whitehouse, Richard	150	Mountain lot	1,250
Whitehouse, Wesley	50	Homestead	625
Whitehouse, Wesley	½	Hoyt Place	30
Whitehouse, Harvey Est.	65		400
Young, Fred	60	Homestead	1,000
Young, Williard	2	Homestead	900
Chamberlain, Elmore		Homestead	500
Eastman, Harry		Camp	50
Eastman, Loyde		Camp	50
Eastman, Ruth		Camp	50
Kimball, Herbert		Camp and lot	200
Naison, Edward		Homestead	100

## INVENTORY OF NON-RESIDENT REAL ESTATE

APRIL 1, 1947

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Amazeen, Walter	100	Mark Tuttle Place	\$1,600
Atherton, Howard	50	Part Shapleigh lot	700
Adjutant, Owen S., and Kennerson, Robert E.	1	Part Hall lot	125
Bryson, Albert	2	Nugent Place	350
Burbank, Edward and Paula	30	James Tufts Place	875
Burbank, Edward and Paula	112	Drew lot	500

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Burleigh, Dean .....	1	House and lot .....	250
Coon, William .....	37	Cyrus Willey Place ..	900
Chretain, Eugene .....	8	Bailey lot .....	75
Chretain, Eugene .....	64	Maggie lot .....	600
DiPrizio, Presco .....	100	Waldron lot .....	1,000
Downing, Rosillah Heirs	38	Cloutman lot .....	450
Downing, Rosillah Heirs	23	Farnham lot .....	450
Downing, Rosillah Heirs	16	Orne lot .....	125
Drowner, R. C. and J. B. Holmes .....	½	Camp and lot .....	200
Eastman, Geo. N. Heirs .	10	Mountain lot .....	150
Eaton, M. H. ....	3	Part Stevens lot ....	250
Emerson, Everett .....	1	Cupid Club Camp ....	450
Keeman, Davis M. ....	25	Twombly lot .....	500
Eccleston, Walter .....	170	Pinkham wood lot ...	1,750
Federal Land Bank ....	200	Johnson Place .....	3,375
Ferguson, Donald .....	40	Jonathan Gilman lot ..	450
Ferrin, Lawrence C. ....	½	W. F. Hanson cottage	500
Fifield, Francis .....	2	Part Moulton Place ..	100
Footer, W. M. ....	5	Pipe wood lot .....	20
Forte, Felix .....	50	Goodall lot .....	500
Fox, Arthur .....	1½	Tanner lot .....	65
Fox, Arthur .....	9	Part Moulton Place ..	150
Fox, Arthur .....	4¾	Cate lot .....	700
Fox, Arthur, Lord Est. .	100	Gilman lot .....	600
Fox, Arthur, Lord Est. .	25	Varney lot .....	150
Fox, Arthur, Lord Est. .	30	Walker lot .....	150
Fox, Arthur, Lord Est. .	38	Stevens lot .....	200
Fox, Arthur, Lord Est. .	32	Penny lot .....	900
Garran, C. Stevens ....	276	Eliz. Davis Place ....	1,250
Garran, C. Stevens ....	50	Colbath or Jenness lot	350
Goodwin, John and Eugene .....	100	Davis lot .....	500
Gilman, John .....	100	Hayes lot .....	400
Gulf Oil Co. ....			115
Hall, Errol .....	78	Part Colbath lot .....	250
Hall, Errol .....	15	Part Stevens and Hall lot .....	125
Hall and Joy .....	65	Mountain lot, Harvey Whitehouse .....	1,000
Hall and Joy .....	5	W. W. Perkins property	50
Heath, Cecil .....	1¼	Boys' camp .....	350
Heath, Cecil .....	4	Girls' camp .....	350
Hoyt, Howard and Gertrude .....		Cook house lot .....	75
Hunter and Keyworth .	60	Homestead .....	1,000
Hunter and Keyworth ..	15	Davis meadow .....	400

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Jennings, Irving E. ....	8	Foss wood lot .....	75
Joy, Arthur .....	800	Wood lot .....	3,750
Joy, Arthur .....	100	Wood lot .....	650
Kean, Francis .....	30	Colbath Place .....	1,000
Kenneth Co. ....	500	Piper Mt. lot .....	1,500
Kimball, George .....	40	Old homestead .....	900
Kimball, Harry Heirs ...	25	Cloutman lot .....	850
		Cottage and Mountain lot .....	700
Kimball, Stanley .....	25	Wood lot .....	150
King, Gurdon .....			
Leighton, Fred .....	12	Penny field .....	625
Lord, Hiram .....	100	Chesley lot .....	750
Lord, W. C. ....	65	Tuttle and Wilson lots	650
Lord, Harry W. ....	50	Babb lot, formerly Mason and Lord property .....	300
Mitchell, Geraldine ....	75	Place homestead ....	700
Moulton, Fred A. ....	30	Henry Willey lot ....	250
Martin, Leslie P. ....	30	Fred Roberts place ..	2,000
New England Box Co. ..		Lumber, Stevens lot ..	10,100
New Eng. Box Co. ..	67 5/10	Lovering lot .....	2,500
New England Box Co. ..	150	Huckins lot .....	2,900
New England Box Co. ..		Geo. Stevens .....	1,500
New England Box Co. ..		Holmes .....	1,000
New England Box Co. ..		Eastman .....	700
New England Box Co. ..		Cottage .....	500
New England Box Co. ..		R. Moore .....	700
O'Donnell, Mrs. John ...	2	Camp .....	100
Pickering, Sarah N. ....	26	Wood lot .....	900
Pike, Roland R. ....	15	Calvin Head lot ....	150
Plummer, Geo. L. Heirs	125	Pike and Kenney lot ..	1,250
Plummer, Geo. L. Heirs	180	Cloutman and Pike lot	1,250
Public Service of N. H.		Electric light line ....	8,000
Reid, Geo. and Jas. E. .	18	John Young Place ...	1,900
Rhines, Inez .....	40	W. B. Place lot .....	400
Rhines, Inez .....	5	Reservoir lot .....	75
Robitaille, Noel .....	20	Stevens and Hall lot ..	450
Robitaille, Noel .....	4	Part Colbath lot ....	150
Smith, Leland C. ....	64	Wheeler and Garland lots .....	650
			100
Stevens, Geo. and John ..	40	Marshall lot .....	450
Stevens, Walter R. ....	50	Whitehouse lot .....	250
Stevens, Walter R. ....	30	Wolfe Place .....	1,350
Schnell .....	130		
Tilton, Charles .....	24	Part Wentworth lot ..	50
Tilton, Charles .....	1	Camp .....	300
Towle, Irving .....	130	Geo. H. Wiley Place ..	1,250

Name	Acres	Description	Value
Varney, Guy .....	2	Part Moulton Place ...	75
Wadleigh, F. F. Est. ...	13	Burleigh field .....	750
Wadleigh, F. F. Est. ...	65	Appleby pasture ....	750
Vannas, Anthony .....	1	Homestead .....	200
Waldron, Donald .....	40	Pinkham lot .....	600
Wentworth, Richard ....	1	Camp .....	175
Wheelock, Margaret ....	75	Wallace Place .....	2,500
Wyandotte Worsted Co. .		Reservoir .....	5,000
Zabrick, Anthony .....	7	Albany .....	200
Kimball and Watson ...	20	Jessie Mt. lot .....	187.50
Tibbetts, Chris .....	130	Demeritt lot .....	600



### Marriages Registered in Town of Middleton for the Year Ending December 31, 1947

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June 14, 1947, in Acton, Maine, John H. DiPrizio, of Middleton, and Enid M. Lowd, of Acton, Maine. Age of groom, 24; age of bride, 20. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, lumber yard; occupation of bride, at home. Place of birth of groom, Middleton; place of birth of bride, Acton, Maine. Names of parents of groom, Chas. DiPrizio and Louise Barlitta; names of parents of bride, Albert P. Lowd and Doris Rowell. Birthplace of parents of groom, Italy; birthplace of parents of bride, Acton, Maine, and Solon, Maine. Occupation of groom's father, lumber dealer; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, dairy farmer; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Loring P. Wilkins, clergyman, Acton, Maine.

June 22, 1947, in Acton, Maine, Arthur R. Kinney, of Middleton, and Helen Mae Burrows, of North Berwick, Maine. Age of groom, 21; age of bride, 18. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, auto mechanic; occupation of bride, at home. Place of birth of groom, Newburyport, Mass.; place of birth of bride, Kittery, Maine. Names of parents of groom, Allen Kinney and Margaret Mullen; names of parents of bride, Arnold Burrows and Geneva Bowden. Birthplace of parents of groom, Nova Scotia; birthplace of parents of bride, Brattleboro, Vt., and Eliot, Maine. Occupation of groom's father, carpenter; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, auto mechanic; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Loring P. Wilkins, clergyman, Acton, Maine.

July 3, 1947, in Farmington, George Burrows, of Milton, and Janet Mae Reed of Middleton. Age of groom, 26; age of bride, 20. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, store manager; occupation of bride, clerk. Place of birth of groom, Milton; place of birth of bride, Haverhill, Mass. Names of parents of groom, Carl Burrows and Marion Rand; names of parents of bride, Eric A. Bullis and Viola F. Griffin. Birthplace of parents of groom, Milton and not known; birthplace of parents of bride, Westminster, Mass., and Haverhill, Mass. Occupation of groom's father, mill worker; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, shoe shop; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, second marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Myles D. Blanchard, clergyman, Farmington.

July 14, 1947, in Farmington, Ransom Tufts, of Middleton, and Muriel Lee Hodgdon, of Middleton. Age of groom, 53; age of bride, 49. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, woodsman; occupation of bride, housework. Place of birth of groom, Middleton; place of birth of bride, Rothesay, N. B., Canada.

Names of parents of groom, Joseph W. Tufts and Belle Cook; names of parents of bride, George A. Kirpatrick and Annie P. Kidey. Birthplace of parents of groom, Middleton and Barnstead; birthplace of parents of bride, Gondola Pt., Canada and Philadelphia, Pa. Occupation of groom's father, farmer; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, farmer; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, third marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Charles Otis Hunter, Sr., justice of the peace, Farmington.

July 26, 1947, in Farmington, George Kimball, of Middleton, and Helen A. LaBonte, of Middleton. Age of groom, 33; age of bride, 27. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, laborer; occupation of bride, at home. Place of birth of groom, Epping; place of birth of bride, Durham. Names of parents of groom, Walter Kimball and Angeline M. Perkins. Names of parents of bride, Andrew Kleczek and Mary Bresideski. Birthplace of parents of groom, unknown and Northwood; birthplace of parents of bride, Poland. Occupation of groom's father, laborer; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, farmer; mother, housewife. First marriage for groom, second marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Charles Otis Hunter, Sr., justice of the peace, Farmington.

November 11, 1947, in Farmington, Stephen J. Tufts, of Middleton, and Mary K. Marcoux, of Milton. Age of groom, 21; age of bride, 17. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, line-man; occupation of bride, at home. Place of birth of groom, Rochester; place of birth of bride, Milton. Names of parents of groom, Leon G. Tufts and Addie Kimball; names of parents of bride, Napoleon Marcoux and Hazel Downs. Birthplace of parents of groom, Middleton; birthplace of parents of bride, Wakefield and Milton. Occupation of groom's father, farmer; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, employed in mill; mother, employed in mill. First marriage for groom, first marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, Ned L. Parker, justice of the peace, Farmington.

November 26, 1947, in Union, Howard Stevens, of Middleton, and Elizabeth L. Bishop, of Middleton. Age of groom, 41; age of bride 49. Color of each, white. Occupation of groom, mechanic; occupation of bride, housework. Place of birth of groom, Boston, Mass.; place of birth of bride, West Somerville, Mass. Names of parents of groom, Hermon Stevens and Arsula K. Souther; names of parents of bride, Alexander H. Dadmun and Edith L. Guilford. Birthplace of parents of groom, Belfast, Maine and Hingham, Mass; birthplace of parents of bride, Maryland and W. Thornton, N. H. Occupation of groom's father, salesman; mother, housewife; occupation of bride's father, photographer; mother, housewife. Second marriage for groom, second marriage for bride. Name, residence and official station of person by whom married, James A. Reed, Jr., justice of the peace, Wakefield.

**Births Registered in the Town of Middleton for  
the Year Ending December 31, 1947**

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Louis Waldo Brooks, born May 14, 1947, at Rochester, living, first child. Name of father, Carlyle Gordon Brooks; maiden name of mother, Martha Kimball Hill. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, planer. Birthplace of father, Rochester; birthplace of mother, Wakefield.

Carol Eva Kinney, born June 15, 1947, at Rochester, living, second child. Name of father, Walter Vidito Kinney; maiden name of mother, Virginia Frances Tufts. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, lumberman. Birthplace of father, Westfield; birthplace of mother, Middleton.

Norman Edward Bowles, born July 8, 1947, at Rochester, living, first child. Name of father, Norman Franklin Bowles; maiden name of mother, Carlyne Pauline Cook. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, mill worker. Birthplace of father, Rochester; birthplace of mother, Union.

Phyllis Audrey Eastman, born July 30, 1947, at Rochester, living, second child. Name of father, Harry Hanson Eastman; maiden name of mother, Evelyn May Holman. Residence of parents, Middleton. Occupation of father, lumberman. Birthplace of father, Middleton; birthplace of mother, Lexington, Mass.



**Deaths Registered in the Town of Middleton for  
the Year Ending December 31, 1947**

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Forrest L. Lessard, died October 21, 1946, at Middleton, age 22 days. Born at Norway, Me., male, white, single. Occupation, none. Birthplace of father, Middleton; birthplace of mother, South Paris, Me. Name of father, Forrest L. Lessard; mother, Marylin Noyes.

Edward F. Drawbridge, died April 17, 1947, at Middleton, age 74 years, 6 months, 23 days. Born at Worcester, Mass., male, white, married. Occupation, retired. Birthplace of father, Lewes, England; birthplace of mother, Kennebunk, Me. Name of father, George D. Drawbridge; mother, Abigail Littlefield.

Olivette Leighton, died September 20, 1947, at Middleton, age 80 years, 4 months, 23 days. Born at Charlestown, Mass., female, white, married. Birthplace of father, Limerick, Ireland; birthplace of mother Rye. Name of father, Richard Pigott; mother, Hannah S. Locke.

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I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

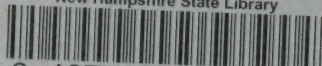
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